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## Alberta budget in the red

Provincial finances headed into deficit for first time since 1993

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**The Stelmach government released its provincial budget yesterday, which includes a \$4.7-billion deficit, the first in 16 years, and the largest in Alberta's history.**

Despite the grim reality facing officials, Finance Minister Iris Evans delivered the news with optimism yesterday.

"In terms of the global recession, we're riding uncertainty on a tidal wave, and we're in the best boat possible," she told reporters.

Rather than borrowing from banks and accruing interest, over \$2 billion

will be drawn from the "rainy day" sustainability fund to ease the burden.

"I don't think anyone celebrates having to spend dollars they'd saved for a rainy day, but we're fortunate to be able to do that in a situation with lower energy revenues and lower anticipated tax revenues," Evans said. "If we had just cut the budget, Alberta would be in huge turmoil."

While Evans and Treasury Board president Lloyd Snelgrove wouldn't define how an additional \$2.2 billion will be raised, the minister suggested personal taxes wouldn't be subject to increase, though "no stone will be left unturned."

"There are no plans for

### Deficit spending

- \$23.2 billion over the next three years to build health facilities, schools and roads, carbon capture and storage and GreenTRIP (Green Transit Incentives Program). Operating expenses will rise by 3.7 per cent, or \$1.1 billion.
- A 3.7 per cent increase in operating spending to address population growth and inflation.
- Health, education, advanced education, seniors

and children services account for 75 per cent of the operating increase.

- "Sin tax" tobacco tax increases (\$3 per carton) and a liquor markup — the first tax increase of its kind in six years.
- Forecast \$36.4 billion in spending in 2009-10, and \$31.7 billion in revenue.
- Unemployment forecast to average 5.8 per cent in 2009, and 6.5 per cent in 2010, before coming down in 2011.

tax increases; I don't have any attitude toward tax increases whatsoever," Evans said.

"If you raise tax revenues, you don't stimulate

the economy."

A commitment to keep Albertans employed was bolstered with plans to enhance infrastructure — spending more than two

times any other province in the year ahead.

Snelgrove touted the plan as the "most elaborate of any province," though plans were drafted before the economic downturn.

In total, about \$10,000 is owed for every person living in Alberta.

Officials anticipate pulling out of the red by 2011-12.

Though the oil and gas industry was touted as the province's biggest cash cow, plans to stimulate immature industries like livestock and nanotechnology are forecast.

"Not having a crystal ball, I can't tell how long it will take to recoup," Evans said.

## Gun owners pressuring Conservatives

**LEGISLATION** Angry Canadian gun owners hope to pressure the federal government into renewing support for a private member's bill to abolish the long-gun registry by withholding donations to the Conservative party.

"I just returned the latest (Conservative Party of Canada) CPC donation envelope, without any \$\$\$, and with the following written across the form in black Sharpie," said a message to CanadianGunNutz.com from someone using the moniker Plinkier, who sent back a donation form with the message: "No donation until Bill C-301 is passed. Scrap gun registry." Another, calling himself Soulchaser, said he sent an unsigned cheque for \$1,000 and a note: "Support C-301 and this will be yours."

While the effectiveness of the boycott remains to be seen, such a revolt by bedrock Conservative supporters is bound to cause some waves in the once populist party, observers say.

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Think you can dance?

### Auditions



Mike Reid breakdances at the Winspear Centre before his audition for So You Think You Can Dance Canada. Thousands of hopefuls lined up for the auditions yesterday. Story, pg 3

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# Local



## Mercer making stop in Edmonton

Canadian actor, writer and comedian Rick Mercer will be making a stop at Grant MacEwan's city centre campus gym tonight to speak about trials and tribulations in Canadian television. The show starts at 7 p.m., and tickets are available by calling (780) 497-7777.

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### News in brief

**CRIME** A 43-year-old man is facing sexual assault charges after complaints were filed against an Edmonton day home in December 2008. Alfred Sa'Vard of Edmonton is being charged with sexual assault and sexual interference. In December 2008, an 11-year-old girl told her mother about several incidents at a licensed Edmonton day home between May and November 2002.

**CRIME** Edmonton Police are warning residents to watch out for fake bank drafts that are being used to rob victims of their hard-earned money. The EPS Economic Crimes section is currently investigating in collaboration with other policing units to find those responsible. **METRO EDMONTON**

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## You thought you could dance

Hundreds turn out for chance to compete on national stage

ERIN PENTECHUK  
for Metro Edmonton

Hundreds of young hopefuls were pointing, bending and stretching as they waited for a chance to become Canada's next best dancer at the "So You Think You Can Dance Canada" auditions at the Winspear Centre yesterday.

One of those in the crowd was Laurie Alston, a local dance teacher trained in ballet and contemporary dance. At the age of 30, this is Alston's last year of eligibility for the show. "It really is my last chance," she said. "I'm doing this for me because it's my turn."

Edmonton was the second stop for auditions in a cross-Canada search for talented dancers to be a part of the hit television show. Auditions were held in Vancouver last week and over the next month, there will be stops in Saint John,



Erik Pipestem shows off his moves with three rings at the Winspear Centre yesterday before his audition for So You Think You Can Dance Canada.

N.B., Toronto and Montreal.

After preliminary judging rounds in each of the

five audition cities, finalists will head to Toronto for weekly challenges in a variety of dance styles.

Each week, Canadian viewers will phone in to vote for their favourite dancer. Last season, Montreal's Nico Archambault was awarded \$100,000 and named Canada's Favourite Dancer out of the 2,500 dancers who auditioned. Jean Marc Genereux, one of the show's judges, said he expects even more talent from dancers this season than last.

"Every year we raise the bar," Genereux said. "This year, we want to be amazed by Edmonton. We know we'll find talent in cities like Toronto and Montreal because they have large numbers, but we want to find big talent in places like Edmonton and Saint John, too."

Alston plans to bring everything she's got to the audition. Her dream is to make it to the finals in Toronto.

"All I can do is do my best," Alston said. "I just really love to dance."

Critics call budget a smokescreen

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**POLITICS** Despite provincial officials having lit this year's deficit-fuelled budget in a rosy glow, critics say dollars are merely being shuffled around to smoke-screen bare-minimum support in vital sectors.

A commitment by Treasury Board president Lloyd Snelgrove to boost infrastructure by \$23.2 billion for the 2009-12 Capital Plan, supporting 80,000 jobs this year, is a drop in the bucket to opposition leaders.

"Alberta needed a jobs budget, and the government gave them a welfare budget," NDP Leader Brian Mason said yesterday. "The budget will create zero new jobs. There is no new capital spending. They've squandered a real opportunity today."

Though health and well-being dollars will be boosted by \$558 million, health critics say money is being allocated to vital areas.

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## Lloydminster may get canola biodiesel plant

Site to be boost to canola industry: Exec

**Biodiesel supplier Canadian Bioenergy and crop-processing giant Archer Daniels Midland Co. are carrying out a joint feasibility study that could see Canada's largest canola biodiesel plant built in Alberta.**

If the project proceeds, the companies will build the plant on the site of ADM's canola-crushing plant in Lloydminster and produce 265 million litres a year, Canadian Bioenergy said yesterday.

The plant would need an annual supply of 240,000 tonnes of canola oil,

### Canola as biofuel

• Canola has two major advantages over other biofuel sources. It's abundant in Western Canada and the low saturation of its oil allows biofuel to perform well in cold weather, when regular diesel can thicken, Doug Hooper said.

Crushed from about 600,000 tonnes of seed, Canada produced a record 12.6 million tonnes of the yellow-flowering crop last year.

"Anything that creates value-added processing in-market helps strengthen the canola industry," said Doug Hooper, chief executive of Canadian Bioenergy.

"It's going to be good for farmers and crushers (and create) less reliance on the vagaries of export markets coming and going every year."

Canadian Bioenergy has been planning a 225-million-litre-per-year canola biodiesel plant in Fort Saskatchewan.

REUTERS

## Group protests immigration raids

ERIN PENTELECHUCK  
for Metro Edmonton

**MIGRANTS** A group of more than a dozen local protesters gathered in front of Canada Place yesterday to oppose last week's crackdown on migrant workers in the Toronto area.

One of the protesters, Lynn Sutankayo, said the whole purpose of the demonstration is to send a message to the Canadian government that the raids are not okay with Canadian citizens.

"We are demanding that they immediately release the detained workers," she said.

Just under 100 migrant workers were arrested and detained on April 2 in the Greater Toronto Area. Canadian officials have stated that the arrests were made as a result of a three-month investigation into illegal immigration at the Canadian Border Services Agency.

"It's really a brutal treatment of people who really just want to be a part of



Protesters stand in front of Canada Place. They were protesting raids and detention of foreign workers.

our country, like so many before them," Sutankayo said. "We're supposed to be the land of immigrants and supporting multiculturalism."

Although the raids occurred across the country, Sutankayo said the event hits home for many of the protesters, whose family members have immigrated from faraway countries. She believes that all of the people who live and work here should be granted sta-

tus as legal immigrants without having to deal with the government's judgment.

"There's no such thing as an illegal human being, so we are asking that those who are being detained will be immediately released and granted immigration status," she said. "The government needs to stop trying to categorize people into legal and not legal and recognize us all as human beings."

## Infant in good condition after being taken in stolen vehicle

**AMBER ALERT** Mounties east of Edmonton issued an amber alert yesterday, after a 5-month-old baby boy was snatched during a vehicle theft.

The baby was strapped in a car seat of a running truck, parked outside a Westboro Elementary School in Sherwood Park around 3:30 p.m., when a person jumped in and fled the scene.

RCMP offices located the

vehicle at 117 Street and 92 Avenue with the baby still inside but the driver was gone. The baby was in good condition, but taken to hospital for precautionary measures.

Police are seeking a suspect believed to be a teenage male, not known to the baby's mother.

Police are urging anyone with information to call (780) 467-7741.

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### News in brief

**ARREST** A man wanted for a mile-long list of offences was nabbed by Mounties in Red Deer Monday afternoon. After months of searching, officers arrested 26-year-old Trevor Legge, who was wanted on 15 Canada Wide Warrants. His charges include aggravated assault, assault causing bodily harm, flight from police, escape from lawful custody, personation, breach of probation, driving an uninsured motor vehicle, and driving without a licence or registration. METRO EDMONTON



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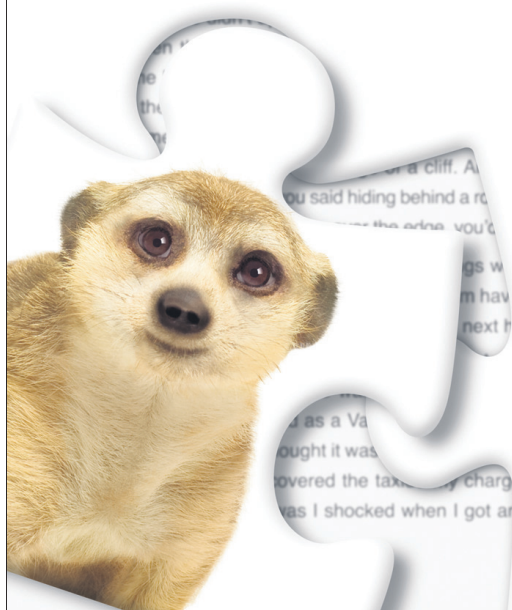


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Ottawa's support for auto parts companies is a good step towards helping the auto sector in Canada, but a robust scrappage program would give the struggling industry an even bigger boost, the chief executive of Ford Motor Co.'s Canadian unit said yesterday. **REUTERS**

# Canada



## Mounties win right to unionize

An Ontario court has struck down a section of the RCMP Act, clearing the way for the country's 22,000 Mounties to form a union. Ontario Superior Court Justice Ian MacDonnell said the section of the act that precludes unionization is unconstitutional, "because it substantially interferes with the freedom of members of the RCMP to engage in collective bargaining." **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

## Flaherty touts signs of progress

**ECONOMY** Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said yesterday he saw some positive signs that credit conditions in Canada were improving, despite serious strains in some segments of the funding market.

"I think we are seeing some small signs of little progress ... we're seeing some improvement in credit spreads, for example. We're seeing some small improvements in certain retail sectors. This is progress," he said in an interview with BNN television.

However, he noted the terms and conditions for funding of some small businesses and projects were still prohibitive and urged banks to do their part to loosen credit.

In coming days Flaherty is expected to announce the creation of an advisory committee to help him identify trouble spots in the credit market so the government can target extraordinary financing, already announced in the budget, to those areas.

Flaherty will meet individually with chief executives of the country's major banks and life insurers over the next two weeks, he said. **REUTERS**



Flaherty

## Lawyer challenges terror law

Argues man's 'jihadi' videos about freedom of expression

**Saïd Namouh's computer held all sorts of videos, of American soldiers being blown up, the executions of "infidels," a how-to guide on suicide attacks.**

But are these "jihadi" videos, and hundreds of online conversations drawn from the basement computer of this curly-haired Moroccan native with a fondness for Adidas soccer jerseys, the underpinnings of terrorism — or were they simply the go-

ings-on of a man practising his right to free expression?

It's a central question to a terrorism case unfolding in a Montreal courtroom that is challenging the constitutionality of Canada's terror laws.

"This whole business of promoting and advocating jihad is the heart of the case," said Namouh's lawyer, René Duval, outside the courtroom yesterday. "They believe my

client has advocated criminal acts through jihad by putting things on the Internet."

Duval contends that the terror laws, pushed through parliament following the Sept. 11 attacks, contravene the constitutional rights to freedom of expression and religion. "They have the potential to catch both speech that is acceptable and that which is not," Duval said.

Namouh faces charges of conspiracy as well as participating in, facilitating the activities of and extortion on behalf of a terrorist group.

The Crown says Namouh, 36, was a key member of the Global Islamic Media Front, considered a major propaganda arm of such terrorist groups as al-Qaida. It's alleged Namouh edited and disseminated many videos himself. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

### News in brief

**TELEVISION** Canada's federal cabinet is considering a \$150 million fund to help private television broadcasters, media reported yesterday. The fund would benefit big private broadcasters like CTV and Canwest Global, though it is unclear whether the publicly funded Canadian Broadcasting Corporation would be eligible for money.

**CRIME** The pilot of a single-engine plane that was stolen from a college in Thunder Bay, Ont., and piloted across four states has been charged with transportation of stolen property and illegal entry. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

## Montreal Circus in town



Canada's Cirque du Soleil perform a preview of its new show OVO (meaning egg in Portuguese), a teeming world of insects, in Montreal yesterday. OVO will have its world premiere in Montreal May 8, and will travel to Quebec City and Toronto before touring the United States.

## Judge delays ruling on 'Peter Puck'

**COURTS** A bankruptcy judge in California delayed ruling on whether the former owner of the Edmonton Oilers hockey team should surrender a list of financial assets due to concerns that he could incriminate himself in a related fraud case, his lawyer said yesterday.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Meredith Jury set a June 2 hearing to determine whether Peter Pocklington could refuse to turn over the documents to the U.S. bankruptcy trustee by asserting his constitutional right against self-incrimination, his attorney Brent Romney said.

An attorney for U.S. Bankruptcy Trustee Robert Whitmore could not be reached for comment.

Pocklington, who aroused anger in Canada for trading hockey superstar Wayne Gretzky to a U.S. team in 1988, was in-

### Arguments

• Lawyers for Whitmore argued in court filings that Pocklington had ignored a Sept. 24 court order to turn over information about sports memorabilia, including several Stanley Cup championship rings, which he put up for auction.

dicted last month on two counts of bankruptcy fraud for allegedly hiding assets from the bankruptcy court.

Authorities said they became suspicious when Pocklington listed debts of \$19.6 million US and assets of just \$2,900 in the Chapter 7 filing in August 2008, and in a subsequent hearing.

He faces up to 10 years in prison if convicted on both charges. **REUTERS**

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## Nokia Siemens looking to buy parts of Nortel

Nokia Siemens Networks has offered to buy key assets from bankrupt Nortel Networks Corp. as it seeks to expand its foothold in the U.S. **REUTERS**

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# Family's fame irrelevant to murder case: RCMP

Victim was member of prominent B.C. clan

JEFF HODSON  
for Metro Canada

The scale of the RCMP's expanding investigation into the homicide of Wendy Ladner-Beaudry in Vancouver's Pacific Spirit Park has nothing to do with the prominence of the victim's family, an RCMP spokesman said yesterday.

The 53-year-old mother of two was found murdered along a park trail on Friday. Ladner-Beaudry was a member of the Ladner family, who the community of Ladner in South Delta is named after.

She was co-chair of the B.C. Games Society, chair of the KidSport fund and a former Sport B.C. board member.

Her ancestor was a founding member of Canada's largest law firm, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, and her brother Peter Ladner is a former city coun-



RCMP Cpl. Peter Thiessen speaks to media at Pacific Spirit Park in Vancouver yesterday.

illor and Vancouver mayororal candidate.

"It would be irrelevant whether this victim was prominent, a street worker, homeless or otherwise," said Cpl. Peter Thiessen yesterday.

"A significant homicide took place here and we're responding to it."

An autopsy has been completed, but investiga-

tors are not saying how Ladner-Beaudry died.

RCMP expanded their search yesterday, and around 75 officers will remain on the crime scene until the end of today.

Investigators have received 50 tips and provided a description of what Ladner-Beaudry was wearing to refresh people's memories.

## Alleged gangster appears in court

B.C. A suspect in the 2007 "Surrey Six" slaying made his first appearance in a B.C. court in Surrey yesterday.

Jamie Bacon, 23, an alleged member of the Red Scorpions gang, watched

the proceedings with apparent interest as he was remanded in custody until his next court appearance May 15.

Bacon is charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy to kill Corey

Lal, 21. Neither Bacon nor his two co-accused have entered a plea.

Along with Lal, three other men and two innocent bystanders were killed in the Oct. 19, 2007, slaying. **METRO CANADA**

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Vermont lawmakers yesterday overrode a veto from the governor in passing a bill that would allow same-sex marriage, clearing the way for the state to become the fourth in the nation where gay marriage is legal. **REUTERS**

# World



## No needles for hot flashes?

Acupuncture may not help relieve hot flashes in women undergoing menopause, a review of past studies has shown. Researchers in South Korea and Britain trawled through medical literature exploring the efficacy of acupuncture in relieving hot flashes, but evidence was scarce. **REUTERS**

# Obama breaks from Bush

**President Barack Obama's eight-day overseas trip yielded success on a top goal: Signalling to the world a new U.S. approach that breaks with the "go it alone" style of former president George W. Bush.**

But Obama had more limited gains during his trip to Europe and the Middle East on issues like prodding allies to stimulate the global economy and help in Afghanistan.

Obama headed back to Washington yesterday after an unscheduled stop in Baghdad, where he pushed Iraq's feuding factions to compromise and urged Iraqis to take responsibility for their country so U.S. troops could leave.

In cities from London to Prague to Istanbul, Obama got a rapturous welcome to his promise to listen and consult more, as he took his first turn on the

world stage as president.

It made a high contrast with Bush, who was criticized for ignoring the advice of allies in his 2003 decision to invade Iraq and for failing to join the Kyoto climate treaty.

In Turkey, he won plaudits for saying "the United States is not, and will never be, at war with Islam."

But at the G20 economic summit in London, European countries balked at

## 'No claim' on Iraq

• Obama told reporters he was sticking to the plan to withdraw all U.S. troops by 2011, and assured Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki that the United States had "no claim on Iraqi territory and resources."

his suggestion that they spend more to try to fight global recession. **REUTERS**

## Strong aftershocks stall rescue efforts in Italy quake

**L'AQUILA** Strong aftershocks shook central Italy yesterday and hampered rescue efforts after the country's worst earthquake in decades killed at least 235 people and left

thousands homeless.

The strongest aftershock since Monday's quake scattered rescue workers and toppled buildings as night fell on the mountain city of L'Aquila, which bore the

brunt of the disaster.

L'Aquila's mayor said one person died in the neighbourhood of Roio, but firefighters could not confirm this. The 5.6 magnitude aftershock was felt

in Rome, 100 kilometres to the west.

Some 1,500 people have been injured about 100 seriously, and fewer than 50 were missing, local media reported. **REUTERS**

## Romania Protests flare



A man waves the Romanian flag during a protest outside the parliament in Chisinau yesterday. Thousands of demonstrators denouncing a Communist victory in ex-Soviet Moldova's parliamentary election smashed windows of the president's offices and hurled stones at police.

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## Man pleads not guilty to stealing Chen sex photos

**TRIAL** The Hong Kong computer technician accused of stealing 1,300 photos of actor Edison Chen engaged in sex acts with several starlets, has pleaded not guilty in a Hong Kong court.

Sze Ho-chun, 24, who worked in a computer store in Hong Kong, found and copied the images from

Chen's Apple laptop that was taken in for servicing in 2006, prosecutor Hayson Tse told the court. Tse said that Sze then put the images online.

The Canada-born Chen, a hip hop artist and Asian film star, has apologized and sought to weather the scandal by staying in Canada. **REUTERS**



Edison Chen

## N.Y. gunman wrote to media before shooting

**BINGHAMTON** The gunman who killed 13 people and himself in a New York state immigrant centre sent a letter to a TV station before his shooting spree.

"Of course you need to know why I shooting?" wrote Jiverly Wong, 41, but he never fully explained the reason for the shooting, which took place in the centre where he took English lessons. He made unclear remarks about police harassment he had received before ending with, "And you have a nice day." **REUTERS**

## News in brief

**PERU** Former president Alberto Fujimori was convicted of human rights crimes yesterday. A three-judge panel convicted him for ordering a military death squad to carry out two massacres that killed 25 people during his 1990-2000 rule, when he was battling guerrillas. Nearly 70,000 people died in two decades of conflict.

**GERMANY** A 60-year-old cook fatally shot his sister-in-law, wounded two other people and then killed himself in a courthouse in the town of Landshut yesterday. The man was in a legal battle with his in-laws over an inheritance, and suddenly opened fire during a break in proceedings in the hallway of the court. **REUTERS**



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# Comment & Views

## Comment

### Get your head out of sand

#### Climate change is not a left-wing conspiracy

TheWestView

**Paul Sullivan**

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What, I must ask, is the irresistible allure of ignorance?

I understand inadvertent ignorance; I admit to being one of its victims. But full ignorance is another matter. We're in the middle of an ignorance revival, and I just don't understand what the enthusiasts get out of it.

Take global warming. That it's real is beyond dispute. The polar ice caps are melting! One-third of the summer ice in the Arctic Ocean has melted, and some sci-

tists think the Arctic summer will be ice-free by 2013.

At the South Pole, an ice bridge holding the Wilkins shelf to the continent gave way over the weekend, which means the shelf, about the size of Jamaica, is in danger of sinking into the sea, one of 10 such shelves, some 10,000 years old, now shrinking.

Despite these and a million other signs, global warming deniers persist in seeing the whole problem as some kind of cooked-up left-wing conspiracy to deprive us of our right to drive a Hummer.

This attitude is most firmly entrenched in places like the Frontier

Centre for Public Policy, based in Winnipeg, which bills itself as an "independent think tank." I'm glad they cleared that up: It's hard to tell if anyone is thinking by going to their website, where piece after piece dismisses the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which won the Nobel Prize for its work on global warming, as some kind of fraud.

For example, it huffs the head of the panel is an economist, not a scientist. So OK, here's a scientist: Dr. Andrew Weaver, a climatologist and lead author of the landmark IPCC report that won the Nobel for "efforts to build up and disseminate greater knowl-

edge about man-made climate change."

Dr. Weaver is so distressed by opposition to the effort to fight global warming he recently issued an urgent cry: "The scientific community has a very solid understanding of

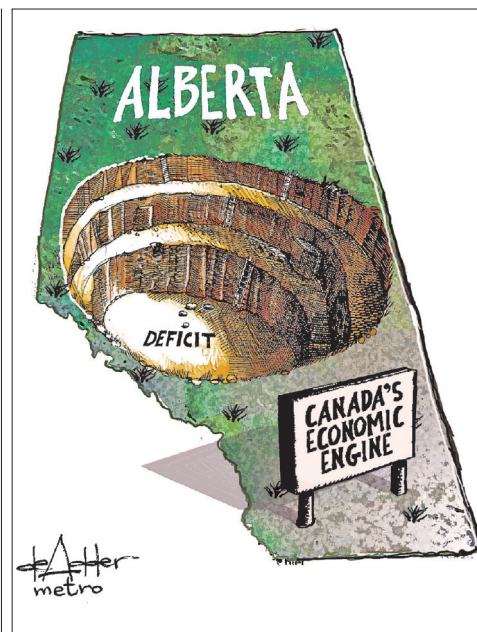
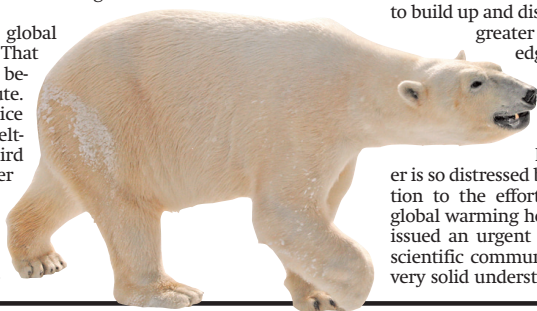
what is causing global warming: It is overwhelmingly because of the combustion of fossil fuels."

Dr. Weaver is alarmed because ignorance is not confined to the right. From the left, "environmentalists" have taken to opposing every effort to switch to alternative, non-fossil fuel sources: Wind turbines allegedly endanger birds, hydro lines cause brain cancer, run-of-river hydro generation kills rivers. Even if it doesn't.

So, although the polar ice caps are melting, although real deal scientists such as Dr. Weaver try to warn us that time is running out to address global warming, we continue to try and argue it out of existence or complain the move to alternative energy has its own issues.

Good, there's that threat dealt with. I'll just stick my head back into the sand, and with any luck I'll be long gone by the time anyone has to reap the heat.

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## Letters

### Gunning it

*Re: Gun control victim in Tories legislation (April 7).*

In my opinion Ms. Cukier has attempted to cloud the issue of long-gun registration in Canada with statements such as "powerful semi-automatic rifles like the one used by Marc Lepine." This surely is meant to draw on peoples emotions. Most semi-automatic rifles are in fact less powerful than most hunting rifles.

Who does Ms. Cukier believe the "gun lobby" is? They are ordinary Canadians who believe criminals should be punished and that some of these privileges as citizens of Canada are in danger.

Firearms licensing has been in place in Canada since 1979 for long guns and yes, Canada did try long-gun registration during the Second World War. It was not effective and as with the current legislation unpopular.

The statistics Ms. Cukier states may have nothing to do with firearms legislation and more to do with social economic cycles of our country. As she notes, 32

people were killed in 2007. Canada was enjoying an economic high, whereas in 1991 we were in an economic downturn.

JOHN MORRISSEY, AIRDRIE, ALTA.

### Gun argument in the bin

*Re: Gun control victim in Tories legislation (April 7).*

This article has led me to decide I will no longer be getting any sort of news from Metro as this article is clearly one-sided and a waste of paper.

I noticed how Wendy didn't mention the federal gun registry is illegal as the right to restrict personal property is not the right of the federal government, but the provincial government.

After reading this article I thought was being written by someone close to the gun control movement, she would have at least had most of her facts right.

I would like to thank you for your time and am pleased to inform you your paper is now in the recycling bin so it may be used again for a better purpose.

LEVI KEYS, CALGARY

## Word on the street: How will raising the minimum wage affect the Canadian economy?

**Christina Mallo**  
age 24,  
Edmonton

A: If people have more money, they might start spending. That'll put more money into the economy, but I don't think that it will help anything.



**Bailey Cox**  
age 19,  
Edmonton

A: I don't think it's going to make much of a difference. Only because I think people are not going to be spending their money.



**Leah Stratigeas**  
age 18, Toronto

A: I think it will be good for the economy. More money being paid out means that more money will be spent. It will stimulate the economy.



**John Daley**  
age 21, Halifax

A: People are going to spend what they need to spend anyway. I don't think a few cents is going to make a big difference.



**Tom Ross**  
age 26, Calgary

A: I don't think it will really make a difference because people are already making more than the minimum wage. I don't think it will help, it's not a very big raise.



**Stephanie Tsokas**  
age 35,  
Vancouver

A: I don't think it will help. People getting paid minimum wage won't see the quality of their lives increase from another dollar.



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Casino stocks fell yesterday alongside a broad market sell-off after fresh data showed February gaming revenues in Nevada fell 18 per cent from a year earlier to \$831 million US from more than \$1 billion as consumers cut back on travel and leisure spending. **REUTERS**

# Business

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## U.S. slaps duty on some Canadian lumber exports

**TRADE** The United States will slap a 10 per cent duty on some imports of Canadian lumber after Ottawa failed to abide by a trade tribunal ruling, the U.S. trade representative said yesterday.

The new tax will remain until the United States collects \$54.8 million US.

Canada was found in breach of its softwood lumber trade deal with the United States earlier this year, when the LCIA, formerly the London Court of International Arbitration, ruled Canada miscalculated quotas for some lumber exports for the first half of 2007.

**REUTERS**

## Ottawa backs car warranties

Government to guarantee repairs even if GM, Chrysler fail

**Canada will guarantee the warranties of cars sold by General Motors and Chrysler under a new program announced yesterday to help prop up the struggling carmakers, even as Ottawa said it must be ready for their possible bankruptcy.**

Late last month the government, which says a disorderly bankruptcy in the sector would cause enormous damage, rejected restructuring plans presented by both companies but

**"It will help consumers know that they have confidence when they buy a vehicle from GM and Chrysler."**

Industry Minister Tony Clement

announced \$4 billion in bridge financing for them.

Warranties on new vehicles would be guaranteed by a \$185.3-million commitment program, regardless of whether Chrysler and GM go into bankruptcy protection.

The program will be

funded with cash from the automakers and a loan from the federal government to pay for repairs covered by the warranties on each new vehicle sold until "the period of uncertainty" ends.

"It will help consumers know that they have confi-

dence when they buy a vehicle from GM and Chrysler during this uncertain period, that their warranty ... will be there for them," Industry Minister Tony Clement told a news conference.

Clement also said the government will increase by \$700 million the amount of accounts receivables insurance that Export Development Canada can offer to auto-parts suppliers so they can get money owed.

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### Business in brief

**MEDIA** The senior lenders of Canwest Global Communications Corp., Canada's largest media company, have agreed

to extend talks until April 21 over borrowing conditions for its media unit, the company said yesterday.

**WEB** Google Inc. helps newspaper websites make money through online advertising and does not misappropriate their

content, a lawyer for the search engine said on the company's blog yesterday.

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**Ginobili done for year**

The San Antonio Spurs' NBA title hopes took a major blow late Monday with the revelation that guard Manu Ginobili will miss the remainder of the season and the playoffs with a right ankle injury that has kept him out of 19 games since the all-star break. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Sports

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## Case against Tillman pushed back

The sexual assault case against Saskatchewan Roughriders general manager Eric Tillman has been pushed back for two weeks. Tillman was not in court yesterday, but a lawyer appearing on his behalf asked that the case be adjourned to April 21.

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# Oilers knocked out of race

Former Esk 'dumbfounded' by Hall honour

**NHL RESULT****Kings 2 Oilers 1**

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**THE SKINNY:** It's three straight years out of the playoffs as this loss coupled with a St. Louis win over Phoenix eliminates the Oilers from the post-season picture. At 37-34-9 for 83 points with two games left, the Oilers can't catch the Blues, who are 39-31-10 for 88 points.

**THE QUOTE:** "We put ourselves in this position no matter how well we played tonight," captain Ethan Moreau said after the Oilers fired 39 shots at L.A. stopper Jonathan Quick but came up short. "It's very disappointing."



Los Angeles King Wayne Simmonds scores a goal against Edmonton Oilers goalie Dwayne Roloson last night in Edmonton. The Kings won 2-1, dealing a crushing blow to the Oilers' playoff hopes.

**THE BIG PLAY:** It was already 1-0 for Los Angeles when Tom Gilbert gave the

puck away. Michal Handzus got the puck to the net and Wayne Simmonds banged the

loose rubber behind Dwayne Roloson to make it 2-0 at 3:46.

**HOME WOES:** There's a long list of deficiencies in a disappointing season, but the Oilers' home record sits near the top. They're 17-17-6 at home and have lost four of the first five games of their current six-game home-stand.

**TOUGH START:** As dogged as Roloson's been in making 36 straight starts, he whiffed on an Alexander Frolov shot from the point that beat him between the pads to put the Kings up 1-0 just 55 seconds into the game.

**LUCKY BREAK:** The Oilers fired 19 shots at Quick in the second period, but didn't get anything for it until 16:29, when Fernando Pisani deflected a Denis Grebeshkov point shot that caromed off the skate of Denis Gauthier into the net to make it 2-1.

**THE NEXT GAME:** The Oilers host the Calgary Flames Friday.

# Cutbacks cost speed skaters training time

**OLYMPICS** An S.O.S.S. was sent out yesterday — Save Our Speed Skaters.

In a distress call just 10 months out from next February's Winter Olympics, Speed Skating Canada said the performances of its athletes are being compromised by dramatic cutbacks at their training base in Calgary.

What it means for the speed skaters in the short term is they're losing two months of critical training time this summer on the fastest ice in the world at the Olympic Oval in Calgary. For the long term, it could be the disintegration of this highly successful program.

"It's a bit stressful right now to think I don't know exactly what I'm going to

be doing in July when I've been planning to be in Calgary training and on the ice," said sprint star Jeremy Wotherspoon.

"It's a tough time to do that leading up to the Olympics when a lot of different people — from the government, from Sport Canada, from the COC (Canadian Olympic Committee) — have announced to the public over and over what our goals are as a country this season."

Indeed, the Canadian long track team is expected to produce 10 to 12 medals at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics as part of a plan to see the nation top the medal standings, something which speed skating

Kristina Groves said will be a lot tougher if their training schedule is derailed.

"To compete with the best in the world, you can't marginalize ice time," said Groves.

While a good portion of their training will be at the Richmond Olympic Oval, site of speed skating for 2010, the skaters rely on the Oval in Calgary as their main

training base because it has all the infrastructure they need and perfect ice conditions. The Oval in Calgary has been hit hard by the economic crunch. The legacy funds created to run the facilities have taken a \$40-million hit. The Oval budget has been slashed from \$3.6 million last year to \$2.1 million next year.

The regular funding partners for the Oval are the University of Calgary and Winsport, which said it doesn't have the resources to keep running it at its previous level.

Speed Skating Canada is hoping to meet with Sports Minister Gary Lunn

## Ice effects

• No speed skater may be hurt more by the threatened cutbacks to ice time heading into the Olympics than Cindy Klassen, pictured.

Dr. Dave Smith, the physiologist who oversees training for the Canadian speed skating team, said on-ice summer training at the Calgary Olympic Oval is crucial to Klassen's comeback from double knee surgery.

and Heritage Minister James Moore to ask for help. It's also hoped they may get a hand from Sport Canada, the COC, or Own The Podium (OTP), created to make Canada the No. 1 nation at the 2010 Games.

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compared being inducted to "being on Cloud 9, floating around the world and everything combined."

Offensive lineman Jim Mills, who was named all-Canadian three times with the B.C. Lions in the '80s and '90s, said he was "quite shocked" when he heard the news.

Also inducted was builder Tony Anselmo, a mainstay with the Stampede organization since 1973.

The five honourees will officially enter the hall of fame in September at a ceremony in Winnipeg.

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# Metro Drive

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## VW debuts hybrid tech

Volkswagen has announced that it will offer hybrid powertrain technology in Canada, under its new BlueMotionTechnologies brand, which was unveiled at the recent Vancouver International Auto Show, Canadian Driver reports.

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# Spring cleaning your ride

MARK ATKINSON  
for Metro Canada



Now that Canada is showing the first signs of warm weather after a long winter's nap, getting your vehicle prepared for spring consists of more than just putting your snowbrush and ice scraper away. If you want your pride and joy to last for years and minimize the amount of time spent in the shop, follow these essential car care tips that can be done by you or a professional, depending on your level of comfort.

Andrew Michael, owner of Michael Automotive Paint & Design in Barrie, Ont., has been fixing other people's paint problems for years, has restored all manner of vintage British automobiles, and also races an early-'80s Mazda RX-7 that's too wild for the snow, so it sits in storage all winter.

Michael's first sugges-



Giving your car's exterior a good wash is one of the must-dos after winter's onslaught.

tion to keep your vehicle in tip-top shape is to give its paint the spa treatment.

"Road tar, environmen-

tal pollutants, and all the dirt and grime acquired in the daily drive needs to be removed from your paint,

and the surface polished to resist the accumulation of new grime, corrosion or rust," he said.

"While newer paint finishes tend to resist fading and will maintain their shine far better than those of the past, the springtime polish is still not to be overlooked. Most detail shops offer this service that generally consists of a multi-stage system of thoroughly cleaning, compounding and finally polishing and sealing the paint to its original condition."

Also, aluminum wheels should be cleaned in a similar manner to remove all that caked-on brake dust and road slurry. If you've been using your ride daily

throughout the harsh winter months, your best friend should be a pressure washer.

While giving your car's exterior a good wash and close inspection for damage is obvious, try to get as far underneath as you can, getting out at all the salt, sand and crud that's collected there in the last few months.

However, do not be tempted to do the same under your car's hood as getting water in places where it wasn't designed to be can be extremely expensive to repair.

When it comes to mechanical issues, the most obvious — besides the ubiquitous oil change — is

## For sports cars

- For those whose performance cars or convertibles get stowed away come the first signs of fall, there's additional maintenance and care that's needed to get them ready for sun-drenched drives.

- Regardless of the type of vehicle you're taking out of its winter hibernation, first do a visual check to see if anything has taken up a home in your car. Having mice, bugs or birds camping out in warm places in your car isn't uncommon. Clean out the spider webs as well.

- Next, change the oil as engines that haven't operated in months can get seized or damaged without proper attention. Drain and flush your radiator coolant and gasoline in the fuel tank, and replace everything with fresh fluids. Inspect the car's brake lines and calipers and/or drums, because modern brake fluid goes bad with dust, air and moisture.

- "Trim and rubber seals should also be cleaned with the appropriate cleaners and conditioners to ensure they maintain their integrity and or elasticity and to keep from drying out, thereby creating leaks and wind noise," Andrew Michael suggests.

to swap your winter tires to your all-season or summer-only rubber.

Beyond that, having inspections done on your cooling and electrical charging systems while at your local garage can prevent surprises.



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# Drive safely this spring

Follow these road rules to stay out of harm's way

JUSTIN PRITCHARD  
for Metro Canada



**Spring brings with it plenty of warm weather, outdoor activities and visiting. Days are longer, nights are warmer, and a hot summer is right around the corner.**

Although spring can be a great season for driving, it can also be one of the most dangerous. Awakening wildlife may wander onto public roadways at night, and excited kids may do the same during the day. Heavy rain and temperature fluctuations typical of the season can make driving treacherous, too. The list goes on.

So, do you want to make sure you're properly set up for safe springtime travels? Listed below are some

pointers to make sure your family trips in the coming weeks are all safe ones.

## Lights

Check for and replace burned-out bulbs on your car or truck as needed. It's important to make sure headlights are aimed properly too, for maximum nighttime illumination. Check your owner's manual for information on how to do this yourself, or head to your favourite mechanic for assistance.

## Windshield and wipers

If you're using rubber-wrapped winter-blades on your car, replace them with summer blades. Winter blades are bulky and not aerodynamic — they tend to lift away from your windshield at higher speeds. This reduces their effective-



Make sure you're in top shape for a springtime drive — avoid heavy meals before longer trips to stay alert.

ness and poses a safety concern. A more aerodynamic summer wiper blade generally does a better job in warmer weather.

Applying RainX or a similar water-repellant to windshields can make a huge difference in visibility during rainy conditions, too. Applied properly, it causes water to bead quickly and helps keep the windshield clean. You'll want to fill up with a summertime wash-er fluid as well.

## Motoring through April showers

Spring often brings heavy rainfall, which can pose a driving challenge. Remember that wet roads are the most slippery when it first starts to rain, as oil on the road's surface begins to mix with water.

Leave lots of room. You'll need at least twice as much of it to stop if the roads are wet.

No matter how strong the urge is to send a tidal

wave sloshing over innocent pedestrians, intentionally driving into a large puddle is never a good idea. There may be something hidden under the surface, and a large amount of water can temporarily reduce the effectiveness of your brakes, too.

## Be prepared

It's not a bad idea to keep a survival kit onboard your ride, 365 days a year. In the

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# The big, small SUV

Roomy Toyota Rav4 not short of useful features

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for Metro Canada



While advertisers would like you to believe that bigger is always better regardless of whether the topic is department stores, dish detergent or diners, some people aren't into thinking big just for the sake of it.

Aside from the fuel mileage and social stigma, there are actually many benefits that come with owning an SUV that don't involve intimidating pedestrians. Having additional space to carry the tiny sprigs of your family tree with the peace of mind that come from an elevated driving position and four-wheel drive are but a few reasons drivers abandoned the minivan and station wagon years ago.

Smaller SUV's have become commonplace for most manufacturers, which blend the aforementioned advantages within a package that is more likely to fit your finances, not to mention your garage.

Launched as a 1996 model, the original Rav4 was the first SUV to be built on the chassis of a car. The Corolla-based mini SUV was offered in both two and four door versions. While it was debatable which model was the more hideous of the two, the Rav4 has always enjoyed a decent-sized audience, primarily with women as a matter of fact.

## 2009 Toyota Rav4

Type: SUV

Price: from \$30,235

Engine: 2.5L V4 and 3.5L V6

HP: 179 (V4); 269 (V6)

Torque: 172 ft-lb (V4); 246 ft-lb (V6)

### Highlights

- Compact yet spacious
- Fuel efficient

It seems that blending small, fuel-efficient engines and off-road capabilities have become a winning formula for Toyota.

Thankfully, the mini off-roader was completely revamped in 2000 without the aquarium-sized windows and with less plastic Lego body cladding.

The third generation model was redesigned in 2006 and has received a facelift for 2009. Changes include a re-styled grille and bumpers, active headrests for the front seats and a more powerful 2.5L four-cylinder engine that boasts 179 hp and 172 ft-lbs of torque.

A 3.5-litre V6 mated to a five-speed automatic transmission is available on all trim levels, producing a respectable 269 hp and 246 ft-lbs of torque while getting the four-cylinder-like fuel economy numbers.

The Rav4 is offered in three variations: Base, Sport and Limited, which are available in both four- and six-cylinder engine configurations with a four-speed



The 2009 Rav4 is easy to drive, even when navigating city gridlock, which is unheard of when it comes to most SUVs.

automatic transmission as standard equipment.

The third generation Rav may still be considered a mini SUV, but it offers a roomy interior big enough for five adults, 73 cubic feet of cargo space and an available third row for the little tykes in Base and Limited form.

The Rav4 is easy to drive, even when navigating cramped parking garages or city gridlock, which is unheard of when it comes to most SUVs.

While the V6 version hits zero-60 mph in just over seven seconds, the four-cylinder version left something to be desired in the performance department with only marginally better fuel efficiency than its V6 counterpart. Handling is precise and predictable.

Standard features for the base RAV4 include 16-inch steel wheels, keyless entry, cruise control, a tilt/telescoping steering wheel and a six-speaker stereo with a CD/MP3 player and auxiliary audio jack. The Sport version adds rear tinted windows, 18-inch alloy wheels, a sport-tuned suspension, foglights and heated side mirrors.



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## Subaru to unveil 2010 Legacy

**DEBUT** Subaru Canada, Inc. (SCI) announced that the all-new 2010 Legacy sedan will debut this Friday at the New York International Auto Show, with bolder design language and a larger midsize package.

Legacy, renowned for its sporty handling and reliability, has been further enhanced with a longer wheelbase, a revised suspension design, 100 mm (almost four inches) of added rear seat legroom, and a new powertrain lineup that includes the new Subaru Lineartronic CVT (Continuously Variable Transmission).

The 2010  
Subaru Legacy



The Legacy lineup for 2010 offers four well-equipped models — 2.5i, PZEV, 2.5GT, and 3.6R — along with several option packages for even more performance, comfort, and luxury. And, of course,

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# Acura TL: Bold and distinctive

PETER BLEAKNEY  
for Metro Canada



**It's tough going out there in the near-luxury sports sedan arena, and the game has moved on, with every major player offering all-wheel-drive and some crossing the 300 hp threshold. Who wants to be left out of that club?**

Acura has addressed both these issues in the all-new 2009 TL.

There are two models to choose from: The front-wheel-drive TL (\$39,990) powered by a 280 hp 3.5L V6 and the \$44,490 TL SH-AWD (Super Handling All Wheel Drive) with a 305 hp 3.7L V6.

Both models get a five-speed manual with paddle shifters.

Mechanically, Acura may be playing catch-up here,



The 2009 Acura TL comes in two models: The front-wheel drive TL and the all-wheel drive TL SH-AWD.

## 2009 Acura TL

**Type:** Sports sedan  
**Price:** \$39,990-\$47,990  
**Engine:** 3.5L V6/3.7L V6  
**HP, Torque:** 280 hp, 254 lb-ft/305 hp, 275 lb-ft

## Highlights

- More refined ride
- Plenty of technology

but stylistically, this 2009 TL isn't pandering to anybody. Distinctive, bold, sneering — these are words that spring to mind when first viewing the TL's angular, metallic snout.

The creases and cut lines around the trunk and taillights are equally ginsu-knife lethal, and the well-defined blisters above the front wheel arches add muscle to the front haunches.

As it is with most model makeovers, the 2009 TL casts a larger shadow than its predecessor — wider by 30 mm, taller by 10 mm, and the wheelbase is stretched by 34 mm.

Rear seat leg and hip room increases, and the TL boasts a 371-litre trunk (354-litre for the SH-AWD).

The TL's extra girth puts it between the BMW 3 and 5 Series, the Mercedes C and E-Class, et al. Acura is looking to attract buyers from both those seg-

ments.

It's a fresh interior too, with organic flowing lines that radiate from the driver like waves in a pond. Acura is eschewing the Germanic one-knob-for-all-functions philosophy here, peppering the dash, steering wheel and console with more buttons than a cardigan factory.

Once you figure out where everything is, however, it beats trying to keep one eye on a screen while scrolling through menus.

Those familiar with Acura will know technology is a big part of this maker's identity, and gizmo-geeks won't be disappointed here. Standard fare is Bluetooth connectivity, multi-information display, XM

satellite radio and a 276-watt eight-speaker audio system with six CD, Dolby ProLogic II, and auxiliary and USB inputs.

The solar sensing dual-zone climate control will automatically send warmer air to your feet, and a cooler breeze to your torso if it suspects Master is getting uncomfortable. Automatic humidity and fog control takes care of other HVAC issues.

Available on both models is the \$3500 Technology Package which, along with perforated premium Milano leather and metallic trim, adds keyless access system, navigation with bilingual voice control, an eight-inch high-resolution VGA colour display,

play, rear view camera, interface dial, and a killer 440 watt, 10-speaker audio system with an 12.7 gig internal hard drive for MP3 and media storage.

While driving the smooth, winding roads of our Connecticut test route, the 280 hp TL felt much more refined than the 2008 car.

It took a nice set during brisk cornering too, but information from the electric power steering (the old car was hydraulic) was nearly non-existent.

The 305 hp TL SH-AWD feels more robust. It rides on 18" footwear (19 inches are optional) with recalibrated suspension tuning.

The good news is the torque-steer and harsh ride from last year's zippy TL Type-S is gone.

The bad news (for enthusiasts) is that car's involving and racy disposition has been pretty much filtered out.



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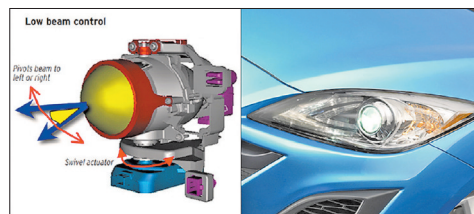


## Improved headlights for 2010 Mazda3 GT

**TECHNOLOGY** One of the aspects that set the 2010 Mazda3 apart from others in the compact car class is the attention Mazda's engineers paid to the car's lighting system.

On all Mazda3 GT models, bi-xenon, High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlamps have now become standard equipment.

The headlamps, which use a single xenon lamp in each front light assembly, produce both the high



beam and the low beam. This comes courtesy of an electric arc which causes the gas to discharge its light particles, which then

glow to generate a bright light that closely resembles the white color of daylight. Benefits include improved visibility for safer

driving at night.

Research conducted at the University of Michigan's Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI) indicates a direct correlation between headlight quality and pedestrian fatalities with poor lighting as the main cause of pedestrian fatalities at night. (UMTRI Research Review Vol. 37 No.1 2006)

With the optional GT-E package on the 2010 Mazda3, the headlamps gain automatic levelling as well as an Adaptive Front Lighting System (AFS) which is a Canadian first in this segment of the market.

Typically seen on high end luxury vehicles the system provides optimal illumination as it automatically swivels the low beams left or right in accordance with steering angle and vehicle speed, casting light in the direction the driver wishes to proceed and greatly improving visibility when cornering at night.

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# Sun's the limit

Koenigsegg shines light on green supercars

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Metro World News



**Not content with creating some of the most extreme sports cars on the planet, Swedish car manufacturer Koenigsegg is also making them green.**

"We try to make a car with no downsides, only upsides, with no compromise," explains CEO Christian Von Koenigsegg.

Koenigsegg's famously powerful cars first went green with the 2007 CCXR.

This eco-friendly version of their CCX supercar can run on regular petrol, but fuelled with E85 Biofuel, it delivers an extra 212 bhp — and an astounding 1018 bhp in total. It's the first green car that does an outrageous 0-100km/h in 3.1 secs, with a top speed of more than 400 km/h.



Christian Von Koenigsegg

Now they're taking their eco-credentials one step further with The Quant, a solar-powered gull-winged electric luxury cruiser.

It has a range of 500 km, can recharge in 20 minutes and is covered in a skin of photovoltaic cells that absorb the sunlight and extend the range.

The car is a concept, but they plan to have prototypes ready in three years' time in response to demand. This won't be the car to save the planet. The small but successful company, established by Von

The Quant, a solar-powered gull-winged electric luxury cruiser.



Koenigsegg in 1994, only produces a low volume of cars (only 18 last year, 72 total since 2002) and they're hand-crafted from space age materials, giving them an out-of-this-world price tag of up to 1,550,000 euros (more than \$2,500,000 CDN).

Von Koenigsegg, who plans to pioneer more green technologies, is enjoying his company's ecological status.

Koenigsegg's clientele, who test the cars at their Swedish HQ at a former fighter jet facility, seek exclusivity, and the eco angle

is the cherry on the cake.

"It's a twist to the supercar," he says. "Supercars are about having fun. Part of the fun is knowing you're not impacting on the environment, and contributing to the development of new technologies."

# Fifty years on, MINI still holds capacity to thrill

EMMA E FORREST  
Metro World News



**REVIEW** Barbie isn't the only icon celebrating a 50th birthday this year — it's also 50 years since the first ever Mini hit the road.

Throughout 2009 MINI fans all over the world will be toasting this unique tiny, democratic car, both the original and the new, chunky BMW version. They'll also be able to get their hands on the new MINI convertible.

When the first "new" MINI convertible came out, I took it on an epic voyage from the launch in Seville back to London.

En route it acquired admirers whether it pulled up outside hip music festivals, nightclubs, luxury hotels, motorway service stations or crowded beaches in Spain and France.

It was perfect for a MINI adventure: Comfortable, powerful, solid, and with just enough boot-space to

## 2009 MINI cabrio

**Type:** Compact convertible  
**Price:** from \$29,950  
**Engine:** 1.6 L  
**Mileage:** 5.4 L/100 km

### Highlights

- Hip and exciting look
- Eco-friendly
- More powerful than previous model

fit in the party dresses and shoes required by two Sex and The City-style holiday-makers.

Does the MINI cabrio still have the capacity to thrill?

It certainly does if you consider that the car only comes in sporty Cooper, Cooper S and John Cooper Works editions.

The new car doesn't mess much with the winning formula of the original, even if it is longer but smaller and lighter.

Rear visibility is improved but still not great

through the rollbar and boot space is still a doll-sized 125 litres, but otherwise it's a delight to drive, feisty and responsive with a six-speed gearbox.

It's more powerful than the old model, but it's also more economical and ecological, with auto stop-start that cuts the engine when it's idling.

The roof closes in 15 seconds at speeds of up to 32 km/h for when you travel through car-jacking territory, and great gimmicks include the air-conditioned glovebox, and the "MINI Always open timer," a gauge that measures how many hours you've driven with the roof down.

It's might be more expensive than many of its rival cabs but then it's also of superior quality.

However, given that MINI is one of the rare car companies that increased sales last year don't expect popularity to be a problem for this new cabrio.



The 2009 MINI convertible is more powerful and ecological than previous models.



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# Travel



## Little Mermaid's big trip

The beloved statue that keeps watch over Copenhagen's harbour is leaving Denmark for the first time: The Little Mermaid will travel to China to be the centrepiece of her country's pavilion at the 2010 Shanghai World Expo. But the harbour won't be abandoned: China is sending a yet-to-be-unveiled statue to keep the Little Mermaid's place for her.

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## Seeking remedies at the Mercado de Sonora

Want to find love or ward off evil? This Mexico City witches' market has you covered

**Double, double, toil and trouble. Where does one go to see fire burn and caldron bubble? One good bet is the Mercado de Sonora, a sprawling outdoor shopping area in the heart of Mexico City that's the Walmart of the witch world.**

It's a maze of alleyways stacked with hundreds of stalls, located on Avenida Fray Servando Teresa in



Left, antique amulets, medicinal herbs, live snakes, strange brews and potions are on sale at the Mercado de Sonora in Mexico City. Right, Bertha Gutierrez Montes de Oca, a shaman who has worked in the market for 51 years, points out a range of ritualistic love potions, lotions and sprays.

the Venustiano Carranza borough.

For locals who dabble in

witchcraft, or visitors looking to stray off the typical tourist trail, the Sonora market has all your ritualistic remedies.

You can find everything from antique amulets to medicinal herbs; live snakes to mysterious brews; and animal-shaped ceramic charms to powdered potions for health, wealth and romance.

The market is loosely organized into three parts: Healing herbs, Afro-Cuban paraphernalia and black magic.

Walking amongst the tribal rattlers, taxidermy rabbits and other accessories of the underworld, I met Bertha Gutierrez Montes de Oca, a shaman who has been working in the market for 51 years. The five-foot-nothing elderly woman explained the ritualistic purpose behind the potions.



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"Witchcraft plays a central role in Mexican society and medicine," she explained.

"In the half-century I've worked here, the market has grown and the faces have changed but people's hopes and desires have stayed the same — hopes for money, love, good luck, marriage and fewer problems at work are among the most popular."

Navigating a clutter of products that claim to ward off evil spirits, Bertha took me to a set of stalls selling popular love sprays. For the ladies, there are

potions for better sex, long marriage and curbing a boyfriend's flirtations with other women.

For men, the art of seduction is a popular sell. Male customers looking to attract their heart's desire will find Bertha recommends a product called Quita Calzon.

As belief has it, men looking for love must first lather their bodies with this powder and think about the woman for whom they yearn. The power of the talcum-like powder will cause the woman in question to succumb to the man's wildest fantasies, all for the equivalent of a few dollars.

Just in case there was truth to the bottles' claims, I dabbed on a little "true love" perfume, an aphrodisiac oil that promises to attract Mr. Right. In the rat race of today's dating

scene, I figured a little sorcery couldn't hurt.

From there, Bertha showed me a soap called Tapa Voca purchased by women who want to stop gossiping, and a pair of cloth voodoo dolls for women who crave more commitment in their romantic relationships. For every problem, the market sells a solution.

A visit to Sonora market is a culturally significant look into a side of Mexico most tourists don't normally see. I learned that, though these beliefs stem from indigenous knowledge and centuries-old traditional medicine, witchcraft continues to play a big role in contemporary Mexican society.

As for that love spray? I'm still waiting for results.

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# Food

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## New egg

Green & Black's is introducing, for the first time ever, premium Butterscotch Mini Eggs into the Canadian Easter range.

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### Ham and lamb

Easter may be the greatest of all the holidays. As evidence let me offer a classic religious storyline, a gift-giving rabbit, painted eggs, a four day weekend and, wait for it, a fine excuse for some major eating and drinking. Since I'm all about the liquids I love the fact that Easter is unique in that ham and lamb, and not turkey, are the menu headliners.

When it comes to ham this little piggy likes fruitier wines. Since the meat is salty, and possibly glazed, a juicy gamay- or pinot noir-based red is a perfect match as is a medium sweet white made from riesling.

An off-dry multi-blend white with good acidity is a nice alternative and the 2007 Caymus Conundrum (\$26.95 - \$29.99) from California's Monterey County is a knockout that rides a flavour wave loaded with citrus and tropical fruit.

Lamb (no matter the cooking style) prefers reds, especially mature juice from France's Bordeaux and Italy's Chianti region. A Spaniard from the Rioja area like Grupo Osborne's 2002 Montecillo Reserva (\$19.99 - \$25.26) will also do the trick. Aged in oak barrels for at least eighteen months it's a rustic plum fest with touches of black cherry, cedar and spice.

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**Hot Cross Buns have a mixed history. Some say they were part of pagan spring festival and later given the cross by monks wanting to give Christian meaning to the tradition. Other accounts tell of an English widow whose son went off to sea and she vowed to bake him a bun every Good Friday. When he didn't return she continued to bake a hot cross bun for him each year and hung it in the bakery window in good faith that he would return. The English kept the tradition for her even after she passed away. Holiday traditions often have pagan, as well as Christian roots and many times the symbolism has been changed over time to adapt to those using it in their celebrations.**

### Hot Cross Buns

While it is now possible to buy Hot Cross Buns year-round, there is nothing quite like fragrant, soft and spicy homemade buns. For simplicity make the dough in the bread machine, then form and bake the buns. As bread machines differ, adjust the amount of liquid to dry ingredients to suit your machine. Directions follow for making them without a bread machine. Makes 12 buns.

### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 egg
- 1 cup (250 ml) warm milk, approximately
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) granulated sugar
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) melted butter
- 3 cups (750 ml) all-



There's nothing like homemade Hot Cross Buns.

- purpose flour
- 1 tsp (5 ml) each: salt and cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) each nutmeg and cloves
- 1 - 1/2 tsp (7 ml) bread machine/instant yeast
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) currants
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) chopped mixed candied peel

### Glaze:

- 1 tbsp (15 ml) each granulated sugar and water
- Icing:**
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) icing sugar
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) vanilla
- 1 - 2 tsp (5-10 ml) milk

### METHOD:

In a 2 cup (500 ml) measure, lightly beat egg. Add enough milk to make 1-1/4 cups (300 ml). Place ingredients, except currants, peel, glaze and icing, in order recommended by instruction manual. Use dough cycle, and add currants and peel at "add ingredient" signal.

Remove dough from machine and turn out onto a well-floured surface (dough will be sticky). Cover and let rest 10 minutes.

Cut dough into 12 even pieces. Shape each into a ball, stretching and pinching dough underneath to make tops smooth. Place balls on parchment paper lined baking sheet. Cover and let rise in warm place (75-85°F/24-29°C) until doubled in size, about 45 to 60 minutes. Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C) and bake on middle rack for 15 to 18 minutes or until golden brown.

brown.

### Without a bread machine:

In a 2 cup (500 ml) measure, light beat egg. Add enough milk to make 1-1/4 cups (300 ml). Add sugar, butter and yeast, stir and pour in a large bowl or bowl of standing mixer. Let sit 5 minutes.

In another bowl, com-

bine flour, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, currants and peel. Add to milk mixture and mix at low speed until a dough forms. Using hook attachment (or by hand on lightly floured surface), knead 5 to 6 minutes, or until smooth and shiny, adding more flour if necessary. Place in oiled bowl, turning to coat. Cov-

er with plastic wrap; let rise in warm place until doubled, about 1-1/2 hours.

Push dough down, transfer to lightly floured surface. Cut dough into 12 even pieces (follow directions above from this point for shaping and baking).

### Glaze:

In small saucepan (or microwaveable glass measure), stir sugar with water. Heat over medium heat until sugar is dissolved. Brush over warm buns. Let buns cool on baking sheet.

### Icing:

Combine icing sugar, vanilla, and just enough milk to make an icing consistency. Spoon or pipe a cross on buns.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.



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# Style



## Holding the key to chic

Being a keyholder has never been so fashionable — now comes Tiffany & Co.'s new Key Collection, inspired by the company's own key archives. Suspended from fine, ball or oval-link chains, designs include medallion, heart, flower-topped and diamond-adorned keys. The sterling silver keys start at \$130 and \$65 for the chain; prices vary for the diamond and platinum versions. To find a store near you, call 1-800-TIF-0110 or visit [tiffany.ca](http://tiffany.ca). **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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## Try a hat trick this spring

Punctuate your look with the season's hottest tête-toppers

BRIAN COULTON  
for Metro Canada

**Men, shelve your wax and gel. Ladies, ditch those barrettes and headbands.**

There's a new tête-topper in town, and without one, your spring style may read like an unfinished statement.

All right, so the hat isn't exactly anything new. Edie Orenstein knows that well. She's the eponymous creator of Vancouver store Edie's Hats. Over the course of the boutique's 25-year history, she's noticed that, while many people often admire hats, they say they'd never wear one.

"Who made up this rule?" asks Orenstein, with a laugh. She says hats are about giving permission to express oneself, likening the body and its fashion accessories to a sentence's nuts and bolts.

"A hat on top of the head is like a punctuation mark on the end of a sentence. When people leave their heads naked, they're not



The classic school girl hat from Edie's Hats in Vancouver, \$35.

finishing the end of what they're saying. It's a lack of confidence about what they're saying."

For women wondering how to punctuate their look, Orenstein suggests the classic school girl hat.

"It's a round shape that you wear close around the head and has a little peak on it," she says, pointing out the profusion of different fabrics and trimmings the hat can consist of. "It's a cool little

cap that pretty well everybody that wears hats has two or three of."

To tailor a more romantic look, circa 1920s, Orenstein recommends a cloche. Named for its shape, the hat is named after the French word for "bell."

"The cloche is probably one of the most popular shapes for women, bar none," Orenstein says. Cloches are made from an



One of the most iconic hats in fashion is the fedora. Plaid fedora, above, Aldo, \$25.

### Sun hat in the city



Straw hat, Aldo, \$30.

Aldo's Michael Pilling calls this vast-brimmed number "fabulous" and compares it to the one worn by Kim Cattrall's Samantha character in the *Sex and the City* movie.

BRIAN COULTON/  
FOR METRO NEWS CANADA

assortment of materials like cloth, felt, silk, leather, cotton or linen, offering a different feel depending on the fabric.

But the most popular icon in hats today, says Orenstein, is the fedora. "The fedora is this amazing creature that is everywhere, all over the world."

It's all over Aldo stores in Canada and the fashion franchise's public relations co-ordinator Michael Pilling encourages the style for men looking to contribute a hat to their closet.

"Fedoras are key!" says Pilling. "The fedora adds a stylish retro spin to any man's outfit." And considering the many shapes, colours and styles available, he says a fedora can fit anyone's personal style. "The fedora is a truly versatile hat — casual or chic. This season it's all in the way you wear it: on the back of your head, to the side, or right on top."

## Style coast to coast trends



**Chic:** "My style icon is Katie Holmes," says Toronto's Ashley McClare, 24. "My favourite item that I own is my Jas M.B. purse (pictured) ... I (also) love skinny jeans."



**Eclectic:** Edmonton fashion designer Cheryl Olvera is wearing her own halter dress design. For spring she predicts trends like bright colours and metallics.



**Urban:** "I get clothes from all over and put them together," says Vancouver receptionist Gillian Harris, 24. She is wearing a coat from Brazil and a skirt from Urban Outfitters.



**Feminine:** "I love classic feminine dressing," says Halifax's Simin Soleymani. This stylish student is carrying a Coach purse and wearing Guess jeans.



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## U.S. chain Anthropologie comes to Canada

Anthropologie, the U.S.-based chain of distinctive clothing and decor items, confirmed last October its plans to open doors in Canada.

But in the last two weeks the news has been flitting through the city's style-insider tweeting networks: The first location is set to open its doors in just un-

der three weeks in Toronto while West Edmonton Mall gets its store in late spring.

If you're at all familiar with parent-company Urban Outfitters' vintage-trendy, youthful style, Anthropologie is its sweetly sophisticated sister with a more expensive taste for a whimsically chic mix of Victorian, antique, art de-

co and trend.

Like their 121 U.S. counterparts, each shop will offer an eclectic range of women's clothing, accessories, cosmetics, home decor and decorative accents.

Visit [shopsondonmills.ca](http://shopsondonmills.ca) and [anthropologie.com](http://anthropologie.com).

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## FlareFashion

**Lisa Tant**

Read the blog at [metronews.ca/flarefashion](http://metronews.ca/flarefashion)



**Hulk smacks down reality love**

Hulk Hogan has turned down the chance to find new love in a reality TV dating show. VH-1 network executives wanted the one-time WWE star to appear in a similar show to rocker Bret Michaels' Rock of Love and rapper Flavor Flav's Flavor of Love. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**

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# Entertainment

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## Hollywood in grip of remake fever

**MOVIES** The impressive opening of Fast & Furious during the weekend not only proves there's gas in that franchise, it also gives fuel to Hollywood's obsession with movies based on, well, other movies.

The 1980s have turned into a full-fledged garage sale of titles. Romancing the Stone, Footloose, A Nightmare on Elm Street, Dune, The Karate Kid, RoboCop, The Big Chill, Arthur, Ghostbusters, Red Dawn and The NeverEnding Story are but a few of the titles from that decade being developed in Hollywood.

## Kiss fans to route upcoming tour

**MUSIC** Fans will have a say in where Kiss plays on its upcoming tour of the U.S. and Canada.

In a first for a major music act, the rock band's tour will be routed entirely based on demand expressed by fans at social networking site Eventful.

Fans across the U.S. and Canada can cast their votes at eventful.com/Kiss to have their town included on the 2009 North American tour. **REUTERS**

## In brief

**CASTING** Rob Schneider has joined the cast of the romantic comedy You May Not Kiss the Bride. The project is about an American pet photographer who gets mixed up with Croatian mobsters while on his honeymoon with a gangster's daughter.

**CASTING** Maria Bello is in final negotiations to join the all-star comedy cast of an untitled film project produced by Adam Sandler. The script revolves around high school friends who reunite 30 years later. Sandler, Kevin James and Chris Rock are part of the ensemble cast. **REUTERS**

## Kenya's Style



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# Easter on film

**STEVE GOW**  
for Metro Canada

**Unlike Christmas, with its more marketable associations to Santa Claus, flying reindeer and snowmen that mysteriously come to life, Hollywood typically tends to shy away from the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ and its bizarre association with a bunny that hides chocolate eggs. Go figure.**

Still, while Easter may be hard to find at your local multiplex these days, cinema is not without a few classics that mark this season's biggest holiday. So, if you are in the mood for some Easter-themed entertainment, you may consider having a Good

Friday at home with one of these five movies instead:

• **THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD (1965):** A chronicle of Christ's life, Max von Sydow stars in what has been described as the "definitive movie of the Easter story." More than that, where else are you able to get Pat Boone, Sidney Poitier, Telly Savalas and Jamie Farr in the same film?

• **THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST (2004):** If you want a darker experience this holiday, this Mel Gibson-directed epic is not for the faint of heart. Controversial, shocking and by some accounts, anti-Semitic, The Passion details the excruciating final hours and crucifixion of Christ.

## Movie feature

• **THE TEN COMMANDMENTS (1956):** Long before Charlton Heston was preaching about the right to bear arms (remember his "pry it from my cold dead hands" speech?) he starred as Moses in this huge Passover epic. Directed by Cecil B. DeMille, this classic follows Moses as he leads slaves from the tyranny of a pharaoh, parting the Red Sea along the way.

• **BEN HUR (1959):** Heston went biblical again three years later, starring as a wrongly-accused prince who sought revenge upon his accuser during the time of Christ. Ben Hur not only won a stunning 11



## Not so Desperate

Victoria Beckham is "too busy" to appear on Desperate Housewives. Eva Longoria, who stars on the show, hoped Victoria would land a cameo — but the former Spice Girl can't fit it into her schedule. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**



Charlton Heston starred in The Ten Commandments.

Academy Awards, but it apparently resurrected MGM studios from bankruptcy.

• **THE PRINCE OF EGYPT (1998):** For a lighter holiday-themed story, look no further than this animated family film. Sure, it's a little disarming hearing Val

Kilmer as the voice of Moses when you are used to the boom of Charlton Heston, but this feature stays resonant by dealing in matters of slavery and notions of faith. Funny, I don't remember those issues coming up in Space Chimps.

## critics'corner

### Just for Laughs 25th Anniversary

Over the past 25 years, the Montreal International Comedy Festival has welcomed some of comedy's biggest names and rising stars. This silver anniversary salute counts down the 25 most memorable performances from the festival as voted on by fans at CBC's Web site. Jerry Seinfeld, Russell Peters, Dave Chappelle and Jon Stewart are among those you can expect to see. 8 PM on CBXT



### Outlaw Bikers

They prefer the distinction "motorcycle club," not "gang," thank you very much. This series, starting its third season, uses stock footage, dramatic re-creations, and interviews with bikers and police officers to give viewers a peek inside these organizations. This season focuses on three notorious groups: the Bandidos, Outlaws and Warlocks. 11 AM on HIST

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Tori Spelling is reportedly planning to design a range of clothing for children. The actress says that her two children inspired her forthcoming Little Maven range, which has long been a dream of hers, femalefirst.co.uk reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

**Tori tries out kids' fashion**

## Celebrity Buzz

### Kate the cook?

**CAREER** Supermodel Kate Moss is picking up a new career: Cookbook author.

According to the Daily Mirror, Moss is coming out with a book of her own takes on popular recipes. She reportedly got the idea from her good friend, Stasha Palos, who has also written her own cookbook.

"Kate recently cooked (her boyfriend) Jamie a slap-up Jewish meal following kosher techniques from Stasha," a source tells the newspaper. "She loves her easy-to-follow recipes. It's all she's been talking about."



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### Madonna and Guy play nice

**PEOPLE** As Madonna struggles with her failed attempt at adopting another child from Malawi, she has found one source of moral support: Ex-husband Guy Ritchie.

The director reportedly met Madonna and their children at the airport when they returned from Malawi.

As the plane touched down, he ran up the steps to greet the kids, with adopted son David Banda running into his arms for a hug, reports Britain's Daily Mail.



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## LiLo and Sam over

**BREAKUP** After countless rumours and Twitter and MySpace updates, Lindsay Lohan finally made her split from Samantha Ronson official.

"We are taking a brief break so I can focus on myself," Lohan told E! News.

Ronson seems to be taking the split in stride. On her MySpace page,

her current mood is listed as "happy."

"Is (Lohan) upset? Yes. Has it been a rough week? Yes," a source close to Lohan told people.com. "But her family's around her and she's just focusing on business right now."

While a source says Ronson's family is hoping the split will be for good,

those in Lohan's camp want the actress to focus on herself for a bit.

"The important thing is that she's taking space and time to breathe," the source added to the magazine. "That's what her family is here to do — help make sure she takes care of herself."

Meanwhile, Us Weekly reports that the DJ's family is taking things a bit more seriously, going so far as to seek a restraining order against Lohan.

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## Zac loved birds and bees talk

**PEOPLE** Zac Efron says parents must be "passionate" about sex, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The High School Musical actor — who is dating his co-star Vanessa Hudgens — says it is important for adults to be enthusiastic when discussing sex and contraception with their children.

Speaking about his talk with his father David Efron, Zac said: "I just feel like my dad, at one point, had that conversation with me and my little brother, and always delivered it very well. He was very passionate about it."

The 21-year-old hunk recently admitted his mother Starla is not quite so relaxed about addressing his sex life and was upset when she saw a photograph of him and Hudgens apparently leaving a sex toy shop.

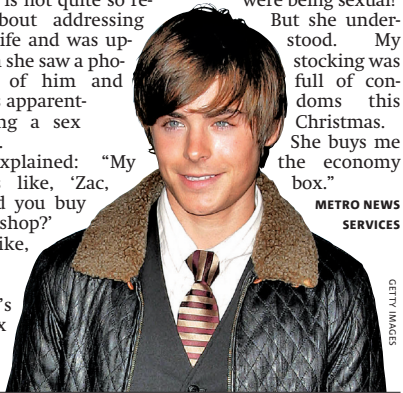
He explained: "My mom is like, 'Zac, what did you buy in a sex shop?' I was like, 'Mom, calm down, it's not a sex shop.' She

wouldn't have any of it.

"She's like, 'I knew you were being sexual!'"

But she understood. My stocking was full of condoms this Christmas. She buys me the economy box."

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## Behind the scenes at the Hills

**PEOPLE** Lauren Conrad recently celebrated her last day of filming for her MTV reality show, The Hills, to which she will not be returning.

But the folks behind the show wanted to make sure they

had enough material of her going forward, so they got creative, according to Gatecrash.

"The producers would make Lauren react to a lot of potential scenarios, because

they're not yet sure how the finale will play out with the other characters," says a source.

"They would literally give her directions like, 'Now react to Stephanie Pratt being pregnant!' Lauren would just giggle and go for it. She also had to pretend to react to a fake story line about Audrina and Brody hooking up."

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## Robert's daring audition falls flat

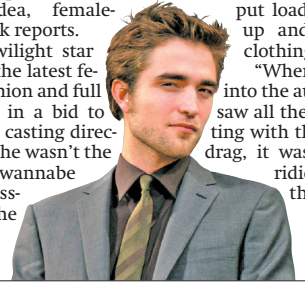
**CAREER** Robert Pattinson once dressed in women's clothing to audition for a role as a transsexual — but was stunned to see a room full of hopefuls had the same idea, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Twilight star donned the latest female fashion and full make-up in a bid to win over casting directors, but he wasn't the only wannabe cross-dresser at the screen test.

He tells Glamour magazine, "I had an audition to play a transsexual prostitute and thought I'd be the only person going for it, so I went out of my way and put loads of make-up and women's clothing on."

"When I walked into the audition and saw all these guys sitting with there in bad drag, it was the most ridiculous thing ever."

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## Brit heads down under?

**CAREER** Britney Spears' tour may be heading south. Way south, eonline.com reports.

Attorneys representing the popster and father Jamie's conservatorship discussed in court yesterday the possibility of taking Spears' supremely successful Circus tour to Australia.

Nothing was decided at the hearing pertaining to the conser-

vatorship, which has been in place since Feb. 1, 2008, and was extended indefinitely in December.

Another court date has been set for April 14.

The Circus Starring Britney Spears made a stop in Edmonton on Monday night, after which the extravaganza hits Vancouver before heading south along the West Coast.

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## Angie not eating?

**RUMOUR** While shooting her latest film, Salt, in New York, Angelina Jolie reportedly collapsed and had to seek medical attention, according to Britain's Now Magazine.

Sources claim that the trouble stems from Jolie not eating properly and working overtime.

"She collapsed between takes, complaining of shortness of breath and dizzy spells. She never eats properly when she's upset," a source says. "Food is the last thing on her mind. She'll ignore breakfast, pick at lunch and skip dinner."

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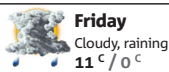
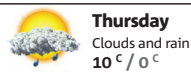
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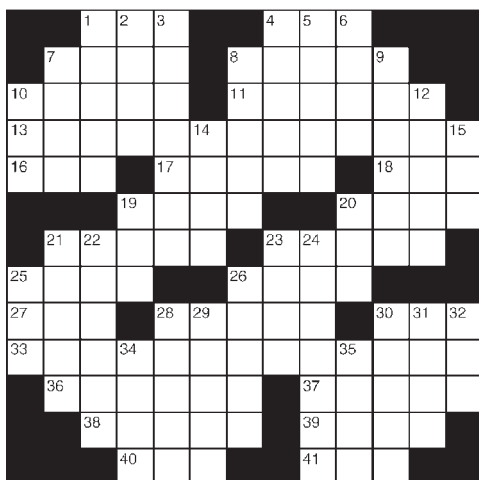
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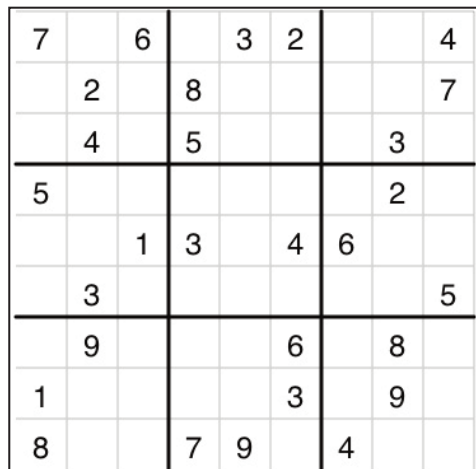
**Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host - Breakfast Television**  
 "My favourite part is reporting the weather. It fascinates me, and as we know around here, it's always changing, keeping forecasters on their toes!" **WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.**



### Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



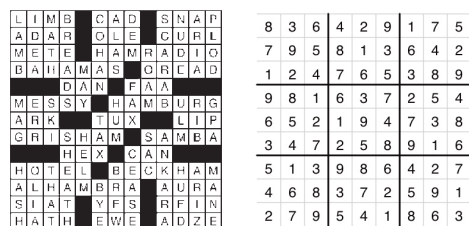
### Crossword across

- |                             |                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Roman "Aloha"             | 26 Suitable           |
| 4 Scrooge's outcry          | 27 Supporting         |
| 7 Pinnacle                  | 28 Flight component   |
| 8 Regional                  | 30 Irate              |
| 10 Rx, for short            | 33 See 13-Across      |
| 11 French painter           | 36 Asian capital      |
| 13 With 33-Across, aphorism | 37 Throwing game ring |
| 16 Lair                     | 38 Jockey's handful   |
| 17 Neckwear of a sort       | 39 — Major            |
| 18 Aye under                | 40 Pop                |
| 19 Son, on the Seine        | 41 — out a living     |
| 20 Tour de France need      |                       |
| 21 "Goosebumps" author      |                       |
| 23 Home                     |                       |
| 25 Moby's pursuer           |                       |

### Crossword down

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Chef's garb          | 23 Related (to)         |
| 2 Bridal cover         | 24 Embellished style    |
| 3 Clarify              | 25 Kabul's land (Abbr.) |
| 4 Drum type            | 26 Refuge               |
| 5 Uneasiness           | 28 Old photo tint       |
| 6 Rodgers collaborator | 29 Pollster's find      |
| 7 Farm fraction        | 30 Deer kin             |
| 8 Galvanizing agents   | 31 Largest of the seven |
| 9 Nikita's successor   | 32 "Spring ahead" hrs.  |
| 10 Despondent          | 34 Wasted no time       |
| 12 Cobra or copperhead | 35 Gloom                |
| 14 Capri, e.g.         |                         |
| 15 Storm center        |                         |
| 19 Teensy tale         |                         |
| 20 Tarzan's son        |                         |
| 21 Piglet              |                         |
| 22 Toothpaste target   |                         |

### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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<b>SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:</b>	17-21 min.....Smart
Under 13 min.....Genius	21-25 min.....Not bad
13-17 min.....Scholar	25+ min.....Keep practising

### Metro Recipe of the Day



### Beef Bean Chili

#### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 small red pepper
- 1 small, fresh red chili pepper
- 1 medium onion
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) canola oil
- 1 lb (500 g) extra-lean ground beef
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) paprika
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) ground cumin
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) chopped tomatoes
- 2 tsp (10 mL) tomato paste
- 1 tsp (5 mL) dried oregano
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) red wine, or beef stock
- Salt
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) sugar
- 2 scallions
- 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) kidney beans
- 8 soft flour tortillas
- 4 tbsp (60 mL) sour cream

#### METHOD:

1. Rinse, dry, deseed and chop pepper and chili pepper. Set chili pepper aside. Peel and chop onion.
2. Heat oil in large, flame-proof casserole pan or braising pan and fry pepper, onion, beef, paprika and cumin over moderate

- heat. Stir constantly, until meat browns.
3. Peel and crush garlic. Add to the casserole pan with chili, canned tomatoes and their juice, tomato paste, oregano, wine or stock, salt and sugar. Bring to boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer 15 minutes.
4. Rinse, dry, and chop scallions; set aside. Preheat broiler to high to warm tortillas.
5. When beef chili has been cooking for 15 minutes, drain and rinse kidney beans, stir into the casserole pan and cook 5 minutes. Heat tortillas under broiler.
6. Transfer chili to four serving dishes, then add a 1 tbsp (15 mL) sour cream to each, sprinkle scallions over top, and serve with tortillas.

**SERVES 4**



### Horoscopes

**ARIES**  
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**  
 Something inspiring occurs in a danger zone. A lost person takes pleasure in your company. Listening to an authority is more enjoyable.



**TAURUS**  
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**  
 A daydream is a brief pleasure trip. Someone won't agree to a change. Make a plan to satisfy an appealing woman.



**LIBRA**  
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**  
 Avoid making late phone calls. Someone helps you to make your life change. You won't believe sympathetic remarks.



**SCORPIO**  
**OCT 24-NOV 22**  
 Being impulsive can do wonders for your health. An enthusiastic guy will smile at you. A man changes the pace of a romance.



**GEMINI**  
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**  
 An imperfect man's easy-going approach works the best. Someone needs to be referred to a specialist. Learn to be patient during hard times.



**CANCER**  
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**  
 There aren't too many people giving you advice. A medical issue leads to a quick solution. Someone is sorry about their missed chances.



**CAPRICORN**  
**DEC 22-JAN 20**  
 You need to get more sleep. Somebody doesn't want to be a hero anymore. A sweetheart comes up with a solution.



**LEO**  
**JULY 23-AUG 23**  
 Do the right thing when a girl says no. A soft-hearted person is fun to watch. Treat yourself to one of your favourite things.



**AQUARIUS**  
**JAN 21-FEB 18**  
 Keep an open mind with a special friend. An idea is strictly for fun. Don't discuss finances with a stubborn person.



**VIRGO**  
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**  
 You want more time with someone. Moody people can't stop dancing around a problem. An opportunity is beneath you.



**PISCES**  
**FEB 19-MARCH 20**  
 Other people are stressed out over money. A romantic prospect demands more attention. Listen to your heart for greater understanding.



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